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INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW
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August 29, 2003

MS PATENT APPLICATION
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Docket No.: D6020CIP4

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the continuation-in-part patent application which claims benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C 120 of USSN 09/796,294, filed February 28, 2001, which claims benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. 120 of USSN 09/618,259, filed July 18, 2000, which claims benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. 120 of USSN 09/137,944, filed August 21, 1998, which claims benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. 120 of USSN 08/915,659, filed August 21, 1997, now abandoned in the:

Name of: O'Brien et al.
For: *Extracellular Serine Protease*

CLAIMS AS FILED

Fee for:	Small entity	Amount
Basic fee	\$ 3 7 5	\$ 3 7 5
Each independent claim in excess of 3 (18)	\$ 4 2	\$ 7 5 6
Each claim excess of 20 (46)	\$ 9	\$ 4 1 4
Multiple dependent claim		
	TOTAL FILING FEE	\$ 1,545

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Small Entity Statement

Applicants hereby claim small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27(b) as independent inventors.

Relate Back--35 U.S.C. 120

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Assignment

The application is assigned by the inventors to the _____

Sequence Listing

The sequence listing is enclosed, including a paper copy, a copy on disk for the computer readable form and a compliance letter indicating that the sequence listing on the paper copy and the disk are one and the same.

Drawings

Figures 1, 2A-2D, 3A-3B, 4, 5A-5B, 6-7, 8A-8F, and 9-11 are enclosed herewith.

Power of Attorney

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Dear Sir:

I hereby certify that the following documents, which are attached, are being deposited, under 37 CFR 1.10, with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service as Express Mail No. EV330326211US in an envelope addressed to: MS PATENT APPLICATION, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date indicated below:

- 1) Continuation-in-part application + drawings;
- 2) Sequence Listing, Compliance Statement & CRF;
- 3) Transmittal Letter;
- 4) Four (4) Combined Declarations and Powers of Attorney;
and
- 3) Return postcard.

Please return the enclosed postcard acknowledging receipt of this correspondence.

Respectfully submitted,



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